

BEFORE THE  
POSTAL REGULATORY COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20268-0001

*In the Matter of:*

Kirksey Post Office  
Kirksey, Kentucky 42054

Docket No. A2012-126

**RESPONSE OF THE UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE  
TO ORDER NO. 1347  
(July 12, 2012)**

On May 11, 2012, the Commission issued Order No. 1347, which directed the Postal Service “to notify the Commission of its decision regarding the Kirksey Post Office by July 12, 2012.”<sup>1</sup> The following responds to the above mentioned directive.

A plan of action updated on July 2, 2012 advises that the facility should be studied for discontinuance, with replacement service offered to the community through a Village Post Office (VPO). Thus, in the near future, field management intends to begin its feasibility study to discontinue the Kirksey Post Office. If approved, this would lead to the posting of a proposal in affected offices. In the meantime, the field level Manager, Post Office Operations, will continue to make efforts to fill the postmaster vacancy. Towards that end, a job vacancy announcement for the Postmaster Relief/Replacement position was posted on the Postal Service’s website with an application period beginning on July 9 and expiring on July 16.

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<sup>1</sup> See Order No. 1379 – Order Dismissing Appeal, PRC Docket No. A2012-126, May 11, 2012.

As a further solution, the Postal Service has also awarded a contract for a VPO and the VPO currently offers service to the community.

Respectfully submitted,

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